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FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA BAHRAIN

TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON IMMEDIATE 1939

INFO AMEMBASSY DOHA QATAR

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TAGS : PFOR, QA, XF, EG

SUBJECT : EGYPTIAN SPECIAL ENVOY VISITS BAHRAIN

REFERENCE : DOHA 269

1. AMIR OF BAHRAIN TOLD ME MARCH 9 THAT DURING BRIEF STOP
HERE, MARWAN HAD PAINTED GLUM PICTURE ABOUT STATE OF
EGYPTIAN-SYRIAN COHESION IN CONNECTION NEXT STEP IN
MIDDLE EAST PEACE EFFORT ON EVE SECRETARY'S VISIT. TO
GOB, MARWAN REPORTEDLY CAST SERIOUS DOUBT ON SADAT'S
ABILITY TO BRING ASSAD ALONG.

2. AS CONSEQUENCE MARWAN VISIT, I FOUND AMIR PESSIMISTIC
ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR EGYPTIAN-ISREALI INTERIM AGREEMENT. ON
BASIS SECRETARY'S BRIEFING IN RIYADH AND SUBSEQUENT
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STATEMENTS FROM WASHINGTON, I TRIED TO INJECT STRAIN OF

OPTIMISM INTO HIS THINKING, POINTING OUT THAT ARABS MUST
CONCENTRATE NOT ON DIFFICULTIES WHICH INTERIM AGREEMENT WOULD
POSE BUT ON EVEN MORE DIFFICULT SITUATION WHICH WOULD
RESULT IF IT CANNOT BE ACHIEVED.
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NOTE BY OCT: (#) AS RECEIVED, CORRECTION TO FOLLOW.

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